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To: Health Commissioners, Environmental Health Directors, Nursing Directors,

ODA Food Safety Specialists, and Other Interested Parties

Subject: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2007-40

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Domega International Ltd., Inc Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Sulfites in King Chief Brand Dried Lily Flowers

Brooklyn, NY - DOMEGA INTERNATIONAL LTD., INC., 98 Bay 35th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11214 is recalling King Chief brand Dried Lily Flowers because it contains undeclared sulfites. People who have severe sensitivity to sulfites run the risk of serious or life threatening allergic reactions if they consume this product.

The recalled King Chief brand Dried Lily Flowers is sold in uncoded 6 ounce, transparent plastic bags and is a product of China. The product was sold nationwide.

The recall was initiated after routine sampling by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis of the product by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the presence of sulfites in King Chief brand Dried Lily Flowers in packages which did not declare sulfites on the labels. The consumption of 10 milligrams of sulfites per serving has been reported to elicit severe reactions in some asthmatics. Anaphylactic shock could occur in certain sulfite sensitive individuals upon ingesting 10 milligrams or more of sulfites.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

Consumers who have purchased King Chief brand Dried Lily Flowers should return them to the place of purchase. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-646-938-7345.